

Table 45. Farms by Concentration of Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold: 1997

[For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text]

Characteristics	All farms	Fewest number of farms accounting for—			
		10 percent of sales	25 percent of sales	50 percent of sales	75 percent of sales
Farms	5 574	5	29	149	534
number..	100.0	.1	.5	2.7	9.6
Land in farms	518 299	(D)	25 099	64 878	143 804
acres..	93	(D)	865	435	269
Average size of farm					
acres..					
Estimated market value of land and buildings ¹	5 571	5	29	149	492
farms..	2 534 884	68 603	125 477	366 505	676 565
\$1,000..	455 014	13 720 660	4 326 790	2 459 766	1 375 131
Average per farm	5 207	(D)	4 999	5 649	4 838
dollars..					
Estimated market value of all machinery and equipment ¹	225 043	7 150	14 031	37 057	75 850
\$1,000..	100.0	3.2	6.2	16.5	33.7
Land in farms according to use:					
Total cropland	223 573	3 148	7 997	29 259	71 727
acres..	168 765	2 992	7 555	26 402	62 235
Pastureland, excluding woodland pastured	63 654	—	(D)	2 554	11 200
Market value of agricultural products sold	454 404	45 614	113 965	227 241	340 976
\$1,000..	81 522	9 122 892	3 929 831	1 525 109	638 531
Average per farm					
dollars..					
Grains	81	—	—	9	16
farms..	1 310	—	—	(D)	787
Cotton and cottonseed	—	—	—	—	—
farms..	\$1,000..	—	—	—	—
Tobacco	68	—	4	14	36
farms..	23 807	—	11 904	17 485	22 201
Hay, silage, and field seeds	1 435	—	—	—	69
farms..	\$1,000..	11 056	—	871	1 920
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	931	—	1	23	115
farms..	\$1,000..	37 438	(D)	7 812	19 595
Fruits, nuts, and berries	1 142	2	9	56	225
farms..	\$1,000..	148 247	(D)	37 718	80 742
Nursery and greenhouse crops	1 375	3	12	53	172
farms..	\$1,000..	128 192	(D)	47 519	79 427
Other crops	300	—	1	7	33
farms..	\$1,000..	7 326	(D)	5 023	5 818
Poultry and poultry products	375	—	4	9	20
farms..	\$1,000..	15 900	—	11 823	13 758
Dairy products	353	—	1	21	123
farms..	\$1,000..	59 773	(D)	16 412	43 529
Cattle and calves	1 158	—	1	25	145
farms..	\$1,000..	6 424	(D)	1 122	2 610
Hogs and pigs	269	—	1	3	10
farms..	\$1,000..	2 265	(D)	(D)	687
Sheep, lambs, and wool	396	—	—	1	10
farms..	\$1,000..	475	—	(D)	58
Other livestock and livestock products (see text)	557	—	1	5	22
farms..	\$1,000..	12 190	(D)	6 077	7 704
Total farm production expenses ¹	5 565	5	29	149	492
farms..	\$1,000..	311 068	25 364	69 829	143 184
Selected farm production expenses ¹ :					
Livestock and poultry purchased	1 075	—	3	23	90
farms..	\$1,000..	7 408	—	700	2 341
Feed for livestock and poultry	2 161	—	5	34	160
farms..	\$1,000..	31 880	—	4 001	9 118
Commercial fertilizer	3 478	5	25	135	454
farms..	\$1,000..	10 273	617	1 769	4 152
Agricultural chemicals	2 425	5	25	129	428
farms..	\$1,000..	8 299	1 017	2 106	3 915
Petroleum products	5 245	5	27	147	483
farms..	\$1,000..	14 893	940	2 573	5 900
Electricity	3 690	5	29	147	475
farms..	\$1,000..	7 715	236	920	2 625
Hired farm labor	2 188	5	29	146	461
farms..	\$1,000..	81 630	7 621	25 188	48 474
Interest	1 580	4	21	129	367
farms..	\$1,000..	15 766	263	1 501	5 974
Payments from government programs	401	—	—	18	107
farms..	\$1,000..	1 209	—	—	654
Inventory of selected livestock:					
Cattle and calves	1 420	—	1	27	151
farms..	number..	61 719	(D)	10 065	30 640
Milk cows	483	—	1	22	124
farms..	number..	26 846	(D)	5 727	17 358
Hogs and pigs	383	—	1	5	16
farms..	number..	18 297	(D)	(D)	4 938

¹Data are based on a sample of farms.

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